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REPATRIATION--OSWALD, Lee and family

We are writing to confirm Mr. Clarke's telephone conference with Mr. Tuttle on June 14, 1962 and to transmit the attached copies of a Department of State letter dated June 15, 1962 requesting the Bureau's assistance with the return of Mr. Lee H. Oswald, his wife and child from Russia to the United States. We are also attaching copies of a memorandum report from Region II dated June 15, 1962 regarding arrangements made for the family following arrival from overseas at New York City on June 13, 1962.

Please note that Mr. Oswald gave as his last address in the United States the address of his brother Robert in Fort Worth, Texas. The address of the other known relative, the returnee's mother, who lives in Crowell, Texas, is also confirmed.

It is not known whether Mr. Oswald will have need for public assistance after the family's arrival in Texas. You were alerted to this situation on a stand-by basis since it is unlikely that the family will have residence in Texas for purpose of assistance in the event need is established. In that event assistance could be given through BFS under the Section 1113 program of Title XI of the Social Security Act authorizing the provision of temporary assistance for a United States citizen and dependents returning from a foreign country. However, such assistance is now limited to the termination date of June 30, 1962 for this program and any assistance anticipated under this program is subject to the reservations noted in State Letter 562.

The only pertinent additional information not provided in the attached correspondence is that Mr. Oswald apparently went directly overseas following his discharge from the United States Marine Corp and eventually studied as a veteran under the GI Bill in Switzerland. Subsequently he lived in Russia and apparently married a Russian woman. As noted in the Region II report the brother has shown an interest in the returnee and has assisted financially. While the family's ability to help the returnee following arrival in Texas is unclear presumably they might be able to make plans that would enable the returnee and his family to be self-maintaining.

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